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1. UN SYG WALDHEIM'S 36 HOUR VISIT TO ISRAEL FEBRUARY 10-11
CAME IN THE WAKE OF FM ALLON'S BRUSSELS STATEMENT THAT "THE
UN IS NO HONEST BROKER FOR THE ISRAEL-ARAB PROBLEM." PRESS
REPORTS WERE UNANIMOUSLY NEGATIVE, WITH SOME STOPPING LITTLE
SHORT OF OUTRIGHT INSULT. HAARETZ'S DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT
(GOLAN) LABELLED WALDHEIM "A POLITICAL NUISANCE" AND LIKENED
HIM TO A CHILD TRYING TO GET THE ATTENTION OF ADULTS. THE
JERUSALEMPHOTO EDITORIAL TERMED WALDHEIM'S STOPOVER "A
VISIT WITH NO PURPOSE" AND ASKED BY WHAT AUTHORITY HE GOES
ABOUT TRYING TO ORGANIZE THE NEXT SESSION OF THE GENEVA
CONFERENCE. MAARIV WROTE FEBRUARY 10 THAT DR.
WALDHEIM'S CURRENT TRIP WILL CONTRIBUTE NOTHING
WHATSOEVER TO PROMOTING ANY SETTLEMENT BETWEEN ISRAEL
AND THE ARABS ON THE CONTRARY, BECAUSE OF THE EX-
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GENERATED EXPECTATIONS THIS VISIT HAS PERHAPS AROUSED
AMONG SOME OF THE ARABS, THEY WILL BE DISAPPOINTED
AND FRUSTRATED, AND THE RESULT IS BOUND TO BE A
RADICALIZATION OF POSITIONS AS WELL AS IMPATIENCE.
ISRAEL SHOULD MAKE CLEAR TO WALDHEIM THAT THE UN
GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S ANTI-ISRAEL RESOLUTIONS ARE NOT
WORTH THE PAPER THEY ARE WRITTEN ON, MAARIV URGED.

YEDIOT EVEN SUGGESTED THAT IN VIEW OF THE UNGA'S
"FILTHY RESOLUTIONS," WALDHEIM SHOULD NOT BE MET BY
ISRAELI INTERLOCUTORS OF THE HIGHEST RANK.

2. DURING HIS VISIT, WALDHEIM HELD TWO WORKING SESSIONS,
ONE WITH FM ALLON AND TOP MFA OFFICIALS, AND THE OTHER
WITH RABIN, ALLON, PERES, AND OTHER TOP OFFICIALS.
PRESS REPORTS FEBRUARY 11 SAID THAT WALDHEIM STRESSED
THAT THE PALESTINIAN ISSUE WOULD HAVE TO BE ADDRESSED
IF ANY MID-EAST SOLUTION IS TO BE FOUND. HE ALSO AID
THAT AN IMPORTANT ELEMENT CONCERNING A RENEWED GENEVA
CONFERENCE IS ARAB INSISTENCE ON AN OFFICIAL INVITATION
TO THE PLO. THE JERUSALEM POST'S SAFADI QUOTED WALDHEIM
AS SAYING THAT HE SAW NO CHANCE THAT THE MEPC COULD BE
RECONVENED BY MARCH 31, THE UNGA'S RECOMMENDED
DEADLINE.

3. RABIN REPORTEDLY TOLD WALDHEIM THAT ISRAEL IS
READY FOR BILATERAL PEACE TALKS AT GENEVA, BUT NOT
FOR EGYPT'S "FUNCTIONAL TALKS" WHICH WERE A PRETEXT
TO GAIN PLO ADMISSION TO NEGOTIATION. FAHMY'S
THREAT TO RESUME THE DISPUTE AT THE SECURITY COUNCIL
WOULD GAIN NOTHING, RABIN ALSO REPORTEDLY TOLD WALDHEIM.
HE FURTHER REMINDED THE SYG THAT EGYPT HAS SOLEMN
OBLIGATIONS TO KEEP THE SINAI INTERIM AGREEMENT UNTIL
THE END OF 1978. ISRAEL IS READY TO GO TO GENEVA
UPON THE RECEIPT OF A LETTER OF INVITATION ACCORDING
TO THE ONLY ACCEPTABLE FORMULA, RABIN SAID.

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4. COMMENT: SOME PRESS STORIES NOTED, THAT WALDHEIM NEED
NOT TAKE PERSONALLY ISRAEL'S DISPLEASURE AT THE ORGANIZATION
WHICH HE HEADS. SEPTTEL FOLLOWS.
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